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COVERT ANNEX - BURMA
(12 JULY - 25 JULY)

Ethnic Minority Insurgency

The Kachin Independence Army (KIA), operating with current estimated strength of 800 in the Myitkina District, has reportedly increased its propaganda and insurgent activities by attacking military and civilian traffic in the District to obtain funds, supplies and weapons. This report reflects a current estimated KIA total strength of 2000, less than half of whom are believed armed, and dispersed throughout the Myitkina and Bhamo Districts and the Northern Shan States.

No significant changes have been reported in the activities of other insurgent groups operating in Burma during the reporting period.

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